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Dear Ms. Braun:

The Health Hazard Evaluation Program of the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) responds to requests from employers and employees or their authorized representatives to evaluate possible health hazards in the workplace. The NIOSH response varies but may involve phoning the requestors and other involved parties to help solve problems, sending written guidance materials, or conducting field investigations. We have received a health hazard evaluation request regarding a facility within your area of responsibility.

Before planning our response, we are sending this letter to let you and other agency officials know about the request. If you have relevant information to share with us, would like to know more the issues or our plans, or feel that your agency can be of assistance, please contact me at (513) 841-4382, or at ATepper@cdc.gov. Please feel free to forward this notice to other agency representatives in your state or region.

The following information summarizes the key points noted on the health hazard evaluation request form:

Facility:

Pattonville Fire Protection District, West Lake Landfill

Bridgeton, MO

Process:

subsurface fire burning

Reported Exposures:

radioactive materials

Health Effects:

radiation exposure

Sincerely,

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